IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY NINTH DAY OF DECEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

WRIT PETITION NO : 24486 of 2004

Between:

Korlagunta Babu, S/o. Anjaneyulu, Polepalli Gram Panchayat,
Polepalli (V), Khammam Rural Mandal, Khammam District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The District Collector, Khammam.
2 The revenue Divisional Officer, Khammam.
3 The Mandal Revenue Officer, Khammam Rural Mandal,
Khammam District.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue writ or direction preferably writ of mandamus declaring the inaction of the 1st respondent in taking appropriate action with regard to the irregularities in the distribution of the house site pattas in respect of the land admeasuring Ac.17.23 gts. in Sy.No.125 & 128, situated at Polepalli Village of Khammam Rural and Khammam District as illegal, arbitrary and violative of principles of natural justice and consequently direct the 1st respondent to take immediate action on the representation submitted by the petitioner dt. 22.11.2004.

For the Petitioner: MR.KOWTURU VINAYA KUMAR, Advocate

For the Respondents: GP FOR REVENUE

The Court at the stage of admission made the following :

ORDER:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Revenue appearing on behalf of the respondents.

The petitioner claims to be Ward Member of Polepalli Gram Panchayat. He states that certain irregularities have occurred in the distribution of house sites to the landless poor in the year 2002-2003, made by the third respondent-Mandal Revenue Officer in respect of the land admeasuring Ac.17-23 guntas situated in Survey Nos.125 and 128 of Polepalli Village of Khammam Rural Mandal. His grievance is that though he made a representation dated 22-11-2004 to the first respondent-District Collector complaining about the irregularities, no action has been taken so far. Hence, the writ petition.

Inasmuch as the petitioner is neither a beneficiary nor an affected party under the land distribution scheme, which is exclusively within the domain of Revenue Officials, he has no locus standi to file the present writ petition. If at all there are any irregularities in the implementation of land distribution scheme, they can be agitated before appropriate Forum and not in a proceeding under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. I see no merit in this writ petition.

Accordingly, the writ petition is dismissed at the stage of admission. No costs.

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N.V. RAMANA, J

Date: 29-12-2004

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To

1 The District Collector, Khammam.

2 The revenue Divisional Officer, Khammam.

3 The Mandal Revenue Officer, Khammam Rural Mandal, Khammam District.

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